

## JUNIOR HOCKEY OPENS HERE THURSDAY

### League Opens With Aurora Game Here Thursday Evening

AURORA AND NEWMARKET  
JUNIORS MEET FIRST TIME  
FOR YEARS

#### BOAST NEW CLOCK

A Bulova neon clock has been installed in the northeast corner of the Newmarket arena through the courtesy of Wainman's jewelry store. This clock will be particularly helpful to the troops, who have to report back to camp at 9.30 p.m. The clock takes the place occupied by the sportstimer, which will be replaced by a more modern timer to be put in, it is hoped, in time for the league game with Aurora Thursday night at 8 p.m. It will be noted that all league games at Newmarket are scheduled for 8 p.m., getting

#### WILL BE NEW YEAR'S MARKET

There will be a special New Year's market on Friday, Dec. 21. Subsequent markets will be held on Friday afternoons instead of Saturday mornings for the winter months.

away to an early start for the benefit of the soldiers. The Newmarket team will be seen in their new sweaters given by the same firm as last year. The sweaters will be of a slightly different design but the same combination of colors, red and white. Newmarket juniors will start the league with several games behind them and should be in good condition for their opening game.

#### HOCKEY STARTS



Howard Hamilton (top) and Myles McInnis (below) will be seen in action against Aurora Thursday night. These two boys are a tower of strength to the Newmarket boys, Hamilton playing centre and McInnis a defence position.

#### TO ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Era wishes all its readers, correspondents, and advertisers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Though a destructive and horrible war is in progress, there remains in the hearts of men a belief, a Christian belief, that mankind moves ever onward and upward.

The hope of all this Christmas time is that the war may come to a satisfactory conclusion as soon as possible, with a minimum loss of life, health and property, and that this time the world may be made truly safe for democracy and social progress.

To all—a happy Christmas!

### Was Daughter Of One-Time Warden Of York, Dies At 82

#### ACTIVELY INTERESTED IN CHURCH, TEMPERANCE AND POLITICS

Daughter of a one-time York county warden, Mrs. Minerva Louise Proctor died here on Saturday in her 83rd year. The funeral will be held on Tuesday at 2.30 p.m., D.S.T., at the home of her sister, Howard, 73 Prospect St. Interment will be in Kettleby cemetery.

Rev. Arthur Greer will conduct the service. Pallbearers will be Wm. J. Geer, J. E. Sloes, Oscar Ramsden, Fred Bogart, Morley Proctor and Carl Proctor. Mrs. Proctor's husband, Wakefield Proctor, died a year ago last June.

Born at Schomberg, Minerva Louise Stokes was the daughter of Sarah Jane Vernon and Joseph Stokes, and grew up at Kettleby, where her parents removed and were in the milling business. Mr. Stokes became a warden of the county.

She married 61 years ago Wakefield G. Proctor, of Kettleby. They farmed for a time and then Mr. Proctor carried on business in Kettleby as a wheelwright.

They came to Newmarket 30 years ago, Mr. Proctor working at Cane's factory and later becoming post office caretaker. Mrs. Proctor was a lifelong member of the Christian church, and was very active in church work. She was president of the ladies' aid, and held other offices during her years of service.

She was also an ardent Liberal and took a keen interest in public affairs. She was a member of the Sons of Temperance.

Mrs. Proctor has been an invalid for the past six or seven years and died of a stroke. Her two oldest sons died in their youth. There are three other sons, Howard, Newmarket, Gershom, Toronto, and William, New York, and three grandchildren.

#### MAIL MAKES RECORD FOR MAYBE ALL TIME

The far greater number of classified advertisements carried by The Era is an indication of the heavy mail in ten years reached the Newmarket post office from Toronto today, and promised to tie the post office staff up until late tonight. The post office was literally jammed as extra staff helped to sort two truck-loads of incoming mail, in addition to a heavy outgoing mail.

#### THEY SAVE MONEY

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#### FORMER TOWN LADY IS BEREFT OF SISTER

Mrs. Robert Jones of Toronto, sister of Mrs. W. E. Dolan of Toronto, formerly of Newmarket, died on Sunday morning in Toronto.

#### MARKET HANDLES 16 TONS OF FOWL

Sixteen tons of fowl exchanged hands at the Pefferlaw turkey fair on Friday. Top-price turkeys sold at 29¢ to 30¢ a pound. Prizes were awarded for the best fowl.

#### ERA WILL BE EARLY

The Era will be published next week on Monday, Dec. 30, as the holiday on Wednesday will break up the week. Correspondents and advertisers are asked to co-operate. Copy should reach The Era by Thursday, not later than Saturday. Important additional items can be handled on Monday. Thursday publication will be resumed on Jan. 9.

#### ANNOUNCE MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF PRAYER

The Newmarket Ministerial Association this week announces the churches and speakers for the nights of Monday to Friday, Jan. 6 to 10, for the week of united prayer in the churches of Newmarket.

This is an annual observance sponsored by the World's Evangelical Alliance in co-operation with the churches, Bible and Missionary Societies and Christians throughout the world.

"The program this year is arranged to be of special interest to all groups in the community and all who know the worth of prayer are urged to make the most of this timely occasion, especially since our beloved sovereign, King George VI, by the response to his proclamations for united prayer, has demonstrated its worth as a weapon in the defence of the empire," announces Rev. H. V. Muxworthy, secretary.

Following is the program, which includes in brackets the suggested themes of the World Alliance:

Mon. Jan. 6—young people's night, Christian church; chairman, Rev. Arthur Greer; speaker, Rev. H. V. Muxworthy, Church of the Nazarene, (Thanksgiving and confession).

Tues. Jan. 7—women's night, Trinity United church; chairman, Dr. Arthur Rummels; speaker, Rev. A. J. Patstone, St. Paul's Anglican church, (The church universal).

Wed. Jan. 8—men's night, St. Paul's church; chairman, Rev. A. J. Patstone; speaker, Capt. Ernest Falle, Salvation Army, (Nations and their heroes).

Thurs. Jan. 9—missionary night, Francis McNeil House; chairman, Rev. Burton Hill; special speaker, (The empire of Christ).

Fri. Jan. 10—soldiers' night, army camp; chairman, Capt. Ernest Falle; speaker, Dr. Arthur Rummels, Trinity United church, (Home life and education).

#### LOSES FATHER

Mrs. B. A. Budd was called home last Tuesday to Peterborough owing to the death of her father, Mr. Roland George Long.

#### YORK RANGERS HAVE INSPECTION, GET PAY

One hundred and five men of the three district platoons of C company of the Queen's York Rangers, under the command of Capt. D. O. Mungovan, held a pay parade here and received their pay on Thursday evening from Major Carl Reeve, regimental paymaster.

Col. J. H. Bennett, V.D., O.C. of the regiment, was present and inspected the company. During the evening a route march was held throughout streets of the town.

### BULLDOG BREED WRITE LETTERS AMID BOMBING

LETTERS TO NEWMARKET  
KIN TELL OF  
DESTRUCTION

#### ARE COURAGEOUS

Two interesting letters received by Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Harden, Newmarket, from a niece and a sister of Mr. Harden in England are illustrative of the spirit of the "bulldog breed."

The following extracts are from the first letter, dated in October: "Thank you for your very kind offer to look after my daughter. If only the government had thought about overseas in the first instance, what a relief for a lot of mothers! There's a raid now, so will take shelter for a while."

"Well, here I am again. That's the sixth time today, but so far so good, so why worry. My Pauline is in... and she is quite happy and contented. I thank God for that mercy but the mess is dreadful, for five weeks out of 13 months is all I have had her with me."

"Time helps everything in the old adage, but never can a mother get used to a separation. Our children are continually in our thoughts. They are a long way from here but Canada would have been further, so we must count our blessings and trust in providence."

"The English on your side of the Atlantic must feel with us, but you are better where you are. There is not a man or woman that wishes others to face this dreadful war just because you are British. Stay put and send us your prayers, and help in material aid and we are content."

"Hitler must awake one day to the fact that a war can never be won in his fashion. We may look like ants from the sky, to be harassed, but we are truly of the bulldog type, and he can never break our spirit. We have had some terrifying times and we all feel a little nervous. That is only human but when that man decides to meet us on our own ground, which he has boasted to do, well, we are ready. Even the women will meet such a crisis with courage."

"Do you manage to listen in to our broadcasts? Did you hear the princess speak last Sunday? She was great and our people are proud of her. I'm afraid there were a few tears shed. We British are sentimental (but not soft). As I write this, Jerry is bawling away overhead. We have all sorts of sayings to correspond with the sound of his engine. One is 'Your turn next' and 'Where'd yer want it?' Doesn't look funny on paper but said in rhythm to his noise, and it's caused many a laugh."

"You no doubt hear rumors in Canada about us starving here, but contradict it. There's a dear. We certainly can't get as many eggs as we would like or tinned milk but that's only a minor detail so who's worrying?"

"Tell all your friends our air force is wonderful. I've witnessed lots of dogfights and it's a real thrill. One Sunday afternoon there was a glorious battle between a Spitfire and a bomber. It was like an ordinary fly (Page 6, Col. 5)

#### DIES SUDDENLY

Neighbors were saddened when John Robert Willoughby Pollock, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Carson Pollock, Island Grove, died suddenly at the hospital for Sick Children on Nov. 27, aged 5 years and 4 months. He was the grandson of the late Charles E. Willoughby.



### Turkeys Bring 32 Cents At Christmas Market On Friday

PORT PERRY MAN WINS LONGEST DISTANCE PRIZE,  
ZEPHYR MAN WINS GREATEST NUMBER  
OF PRIZES

#### BUILDING CROWDED WITH BUYERS, SELLERS

Distinct increases in prices over a year ago were paid for the fine and plentiful fowl on display at the Christmas market on Friday afternoon.

The town hall, upstairs, where the prize birds were displayed, and downstairs, where the general market was held, was crowded with sellers and buyers, both wholesale buyers and householders.

Prevailing prices were: chickens, 22 cents; ducks, 23 cents; geese, 22 to 24 cents; turkeys, 30 to 32 cents a pound.

Butter brought 32 cents a pound and eggs sold at 28 to 30 cents a dozen.

Among the prize-winners William Barker of Zephyr was outstanding, winning six prizes.

Fred Chantler, Newmarket, acted as secretary of the market.

F. W. Bradley of Port Perry won the special prize of two dollars for coming the longest distance.

A special prize donated by A. E. Starr for the best three dozen eggs, was won by Norman Still of Queensville, while Levi Weddell of Sharon won the special prize donated by the Newmarket Farmers' Co-operative for the best finished pair of cockerels. Another special prize given by J. A. Perks was won by Wm. Barker of Zephyr, for the best finished turkey weighing 12 lbs. or over. The Best drug store special prize for the best finished pair of ducks was also won by Mr. Barker.

Other prizewinners in the various classes, first, second and third, were as follows: best lot of six turkeys, Wm. Sweezy, Newmarket, Wm. Barker, Zephyr; best single turkey, Wm. Barker, Zephyr; Wm. Sweezy, Newmarket; J. D. Moore, Sandford; best lot of four geese, Mrs. Fred Hall, Sharon; Mrs. Max Glover, Queensville; Mrs. Levi Weddell, Sharon; best single goose, Mrs. Thomas Miller, Queensville; J. D. Moore, Sandford; Mrs. F. Blizard, Newmarket.

Best lot of six chickens, F. W. Bradley, Port Perry; Howard Perrin, Newmarket; Mrs. D. Cooper, Newmarket; best pair of chickens, F. W. Bradley, Port Perry; Howard Perrin, Newmarket; Mrs. D. Cooper, Newmarket; heaviest turkey, J. D. Moore, Sandford; heaviest goose, Wm. McClure, Ravenshoe; heaviest pair of chickens, F. W. Bradley, Port Perry.

Best two dozen hen's eggs, white, Wm. Barker, Norman Still, Queensville; best two dozen hen's eggs, brown, Howard Perrin, Newmarket; Wm. Barker, Zephyr; Mrs. Cameron Smart, Newmarket; five pounds of dairy butter prints, Mrs. Max Glover, Queensville; Mrs. F. Homer, Kettleby; Mrs. Alex. Rutledge, Newmarket; six-quart basket of Spy apples, Norman Still, Queensville; Miss Shirley Smith, Queensville; six-quart basket, any other kind, A. Barsella, Newmarket, N. Gibney, Newmarket.

Six-quart basket of carrots, A. Barsella, Newmarket; Levi Weddell, Sharon; bushel basket of parsnips, A. Barsella, Newmarket, N. Gibney, Newmarket; bushel basket of potatoes, E. Breen, Newmarket.

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#### MACHINES WORK 21 HOURS A DAY

The Office Specialty Manufacturing Co. is working 21 hours a day. The machines are idle from 12 to 1 in the day, from 11 to 12 at night and from 6 to 7 a.m. in the morning. Even machines have to have a little rest, they say at the Specialty.

#### BREAKS ARM IN TWO PLACES IN FALL ON ICE

Mrs. Charles Evans, Sr., Lydia St., fell on the ice outside the Anglican church on Dec. 12, breaking her arm in two places.

Over 5,000 people read The Era every week.

#### BORN IN WHITCHURCH



Born in Whitechurch township near Newmarket, H. R. MacMillan in recent years has become recognized as king of the British Columbia timber industry. Some time ago he was appointed war-time timber controller, and now he has been named chairman of the war-time requirements board. His job will be to push and co-ordinate Canada's war effort.

### JEWISH CONGRESS HAS CAMP RECREATION JOB

In recognition of their work since the outbreak of war, the war efforts committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress has been appointed to take complete charge of supplying furniture and equipment for the use of officers, N.C.O.'s and men in recreation rooms throughout Military District 2.

This announcement was made by Col. C. R. Hill, officer in charge of auxiliary services for the district.

"The Congress has done a major job," said Col. Hill, in making the announcement. "They have been by far our main source of recreational furniture, and the officers and men of the district are deeply grateful."

The war efforts committee has done a vast amount of service work in many fields, co-operating with all patriotic ventures to the utmost. Fifty-four recreation rooms to date have been furnished through the women's committee.

Gurston Allen of Columbia Pictures is the chairman of the war efforts committee. Other committee chairman include Benjamin J. Sadowski, patriotic committee; D. Lou Harris and Ben Goldzaler, co-chairmen military committee; Mrs. Herbert Allen, chairman women's committee; A. B. Bennett, president, Canadian Jewish Congress; Oscar Cohen, executive secretary; S. J. Melzer, of Theatre Holding Corporation, operators of the Strand Theatre, who is a frequent visitor to Newmarket, is active in the Congress work.

### KESWICK FOX BREEDER WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

Lloyd Pollock of Keswick was the winner of the championship award of fox pelts and won four cups at the annual pelt show of the Ontario Fur Breeders' Association held in Toronto last week. There were 1,000 mink pelts in the show, and 700 fox pelts.

### Public Does Fine Job For Children Of Newmarket

#### FUND GOES UPWARD, GIFTS STILL ARE ACCEPTABLE

The Lions Christmas Stocking fund goes steadily upward as the Christmas spirit grows warmer. It is not too late to have a share in this important work for the less fortunate children of Newmarket. Gifts may be made to H. E. Lambert, treasurer of the fund, to this newspaper or to any member of the Lions club. If the fund goes over the top for the Christmas expenditures, the balance will go into children's work during the long winter months. Give now while the Christmas spirit moves you, and be glad in 1941.

#### LIONS CHRISTMAS STOCKING FUND

Previously acknowledged	\$288.00
Mrs. Minnie Wilson	2.00
Davis Leather Co.	250.00
C. C. R.	5.00
Waller Johns	2.00
D. Graham	1.00
X. Y. Z.	2.00
Dixon Pencil Employees	16.00
Anonymous	2.00
A. C. West	2.00
E. F. Streeter	2.00
Total to date	\$575.00

#### RED CROSS DISTRIBUTES MATINEE PROCEEDS

One hundred and twenty cans of foodstuffs were received by the Red Cross from the matinee given a week ago by the management of the Strand theatre, who invited the children to attend, bringing a can of foodstuff with them.

This food was distributed to ten families and the Red Cross has expressed appreciation and grateful thanks to the Strand theatre.

#### MARK BOXING DAY

Among the increasing number of towns which will observe a "Boxing Day" holiday on Dec. 26 are Midland, Georgetown and Fort Erie.



#### HAS MANIFOLD DUTIES

Personal aide to the commanding officer of the Newmarket training centre is the adjutant, Capt. E. B. Hodgson, who is in effect both business manager and general secretary of the camp.

#### NEWMARKET LAD IS IN HART HOUSE PLAY

Donald Davis, son of E. J. Davis, is one of the players in Thackeray's "The Rose and the Ring," being presented in Hart House theatre, Toronto, by Josephine Barrington's juveniles during Christmas week.

#### RAISE OVER \$200 AT VETERANS' PARTY

Two hundred and four dollars and sixty cents was raised at the euchre and dance held in the town hall on Wednesday evening by the Newmarket Veterans' Association for their Christmas cheer fund. A large crowd attended.

Thirty-eight tables of euchre were played, for which prizewinners were: ladies' high, Mrs. J. E. Nesbitt; gentlemen's high, Pte. Fred Young, military camp; ladies' lone hand, Miss Vera Frost; gentlemen's lone hand, Pte. J. Jackson, military camp; ladies' low hand, Mrs. S. Pegg; gentlemen's low hand, A. E. West.

Lucky winners of the draw were as follows: Pte. T. Fraser, military camp, turkey; Mrs. W. S. Perrin, turkey; Pte. Grant Crowder, military camp, turkey; C. F. Cunningham, turkey; Pte. Coupland, military camp, turkey; Pte. G. K. Georgianni, R.C.A.F.; Pte. G. K. Georgianni, R.C.A.F.; Mrs. W. E. Yake, Aurora, goose; Miss Mary Johns, goose.

Two dollars in milk tickets, donated by Floyd Mabey, was won by H. E. Gilroy.

Mrs. King, 41 Second St., won a \$5 permanent wave, donated by the Embassy Beauty Salon. The Veterans' Association expressed their sincere thanks to the residents of the town and surrounding district for their loyal support in this undertaking. They also expressed thanks to Col. R. B. Harkness, D.S.O., O. C. of the training camp, for the co-operation given in enabling the staff and trainees to help make this such a successful event.

Donations and prizes were acknowledged from the following: Office Specialty Co., \$10; Dixon Pencil Co., \$5; H. M. Hooker, bath towel set; Wm. White, chinaware, and others.

#### CHRISTMAS CONCERT ENJOYED AT SHARON

The Christmas concert held in Sharon community hall Thursday evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. The program was given by the pupils of Sharon school and several of the community.

The main item was a cantata, "Santa Claus Changes his Mind." The music was played by Mrs. Marie Draper Lyons of Newmarket. The stage and acts were directed by Mr. Caster. A rainbow drill was given by several of the girls, directed by Mrs. Caster and Miss Alice Hall.

#### Appearance Deceiving

Smith bought a new car that impressed his friends favorably. One day a friend remarked: "It's not a bad looking bus, old man. What's the most you ever got out of it?" "Seven times in one mile," answered Smith wearily.



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LOVE WAS BORN AT CHRISTMAS

Christmas marks the birthday nearly two thousand years ago of a humble Jew whose teachings have upset the world ever since. Few agree as to just what Jesus did teach, but there is at least general agreement as to how he lived. He was concerned about others, principally about what kind of persons they were, and about their philosophy of life. He himself knew no hatreds, was interested in everyone, and found something lovely in those who seemed to others unlovely. He enjoyed food and rest, but regarded the physical as trivial compared with the mental and spiritual.

While he did not worry about tomorrow's food and clothing, he was a hard-working teacher and physician. He exacted no payment but did what he could for others and trusted his fellow men to do what they could for him.

He didn't make quarrels, but he didn't avoid those who would persecute him. He had some strange belief—still not widely understood by mankind, if indeed he was right—that he could accomplish more by permitting others to strike his cheek, to stone him, to crucify him, than by defending himself.

So true was he to his own beliefs that he has never lacked followers, each choosing what he cares to accept from that singular life and none failing to benefit.

On one thing all men seem agreed, that his life exemplified that it is better to give than to receive, and in that spirit one man, turning the other cheek, is crucified, and another, fighting, gives his life for his fellow men may live in peace. Both men recall the words of Jesus: "Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die it abideth by itself alone, but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit." Is what men think more important than what they do? Whatever their interpretations, all are inspired by the same life lived so long ago and all are moved by the same spirit of unselfishness—the spirit of Christmas.

**LIBERTY AT HOME**

A Liberal with a capital L really should be a liberal with a small l, and even so should a Conservative with a capital C be a conservative with a small c. It doesn't always work out that way in Canada, however, and as a result Canadian politics are dreadfully hard to understand. You can talk with two men and find their views almost exactly alike and yet they may belong to different political parties, or you can talk to two men and find their views radically different and they may belong to the same political party. It is confusing.

Recently we have had the strange spectacle of a Conservative leader criticizing a Liberal government for un-liberal or reactionary acts. Col. George Drew, provincial Conservative leader, whom we would not regard as a liberal with a small l, has been taking up the cudgels on behalf of those persons who have been interned without trial. We are going to quote a few sentences from a recent liberal speech made by the Conservative leader:

"But while we wage this war and strive for victory with all our strength, we should never forget that military victory will be a hollow triumph unless we preserve that personal freedom which has been the first consideration of all intelligent political activity since British civilization emerged from the dark ages."

Col. Drew goes on to criticize the Defence of Canada regulations. His first criticism is that they are made by order-in-council rather than by act of parliament. His second criticism is that one regulation takes from the individual the right of appeal to a judge or court (even behind closed doors). One regulation "places almost unlimited power over the person and property of every citizen of this country in the hands of the minister of justice without making any attempt to define what may or may not be 'prejudicial to the public safety' . . . no one man in any democratic country should have the authority to seize the person and property of any citizen upon his own interpretation of what may be prejudicial to the public safety or the welfare of Canada . . .

"There is no appeal to a judicial tribunal. The only suggestion of protection against the possibility of injustice which exists under the regulations is that a person who has been arrested without any charge being laid, and usually without even being told why he is being taken into custody, may have the facts reviewed by one of these (two) judges . . . All that happens is that the judge, not acting as a judge but as a commissioner, makes a report on the facts which the minister of justice can ignore completely. A judge might say that there was no evidence whatever to justify the man's imprisonment, and yet the man might still be kept in custody and would have no further right of appeal."

Col. Drew says that regulations in Britain "are not nearly so far-reaching" and, secondly, "Great Britain is a beleaguered fortress in which it is almost impossible to follow the ordinary civil processes. To all intents and purposes Great Britain is necessarily under martial law. But we are under no such pressure here. Our civil activities are not under the direct impact of war. To us has been given the opportunity to prove to all the world that democracy will work even under the pressure of war . . .

"We should keep clearly in our minds and before our people the nature of that liberty we are fighting to preserve . . ."

Col. Drew then criticizes a more recent regulation under which "any article belonging to any person can be seized without that person necessarily knowing anything about it, and destroyed without his knowledge although no charge has even been laid against any person, if counsel of the attorney-general of Canada or the attorney-general of any province authorizes this action . . . There has been no greater repudiation of those recognized legal principles which are intended to protect a man's control over his own property since the adoption of the Bill of Rights . . . Under this regulation documents, letters, books or other articles may be destroyed and a man may subsequently be called upon to face charges without the evidence available which would have conclusively proven his innocence . . .

"I believe that some provision should be made for prompt arrest and imprisonment where there is any reason to believe that a person may be engaging in subversive activities. But once they are in custody, then their case should be determined by some form of trial which is in keeping with our established legal practices . . . Much though I dislike the thought of trials in camera, I realize that the necessity may occur. It should not be looked upon as the regular practice and should only be permitted upon the sworn declaration of some officer of the department of justice that the evidence is likely to assist the enemy."

"In that case, however, the ordinary legal procedure could still be followed by trying the case before a judge and then granting the right of appeal to an established court of appeal. Even if the proceedings were in camera, I have sufficient confidence in our judges to believe that this would provide ample protection under the unusual conditions imposed by war . . .

"One of the most serious aspects of these Star Chamber proceedings is that they have already been used in connection with labor disputes. While negotiations have been in progress officials of unions have been arrested and sent to concentration camps without trial and without disclosure of the charges against them. The regulations have also been employed as a means of preventing picketing and other recognized rights of organized labor . . .

"Throughout long centuries British people have fought and died so that we might have security of the person and property under clearly stated laws administered by impartial judges. We are fighting for that right today. Young men are dying for it. Let us be sure we preserve it."

**WHAT IS A FARM PROFIT?**

When does a farmer make a profit? How much wages per hour must he himself get and then how much return on his investment, after paying all expenses such as taxes or rent, electricity, automobile, depreciation on his implements? We have heard of farmers who were "making money," but we really do not know any who, in addition to fair wages for themselves, are receiving a fair return on their investment, and that is what is ordinarily understood by a "profit."

We are inclined to think that the dominion department of agriculture uses the word "profit" rather loosely in the following publicity statement: "The bacon hog is particularly well adapted to Canadian farm economy. It provides a market for the by-products of Canadian milling and dairy industries, and a medium through which Canada is able to market annually, and with profit, a large part of small grains production."

However, the bacon hog is still a useful servant of the Canadian farmer.

**RE-CONFEDERATION**

The Rowell-Sirois plan for re-Confederation strives to solve the problem of provincial borrowing and credit by having the dominion government take over existing debts, and in the future pay needy provinces "national adjustment grants" sufficient to maintain an even standard of living throughout the dominion. There is no provision against new provincial borrowing, but only debts incurred with the approval of a federal finance board would be considered in making national adjustment grants. The plan put forward by the commission probably has its weak points, but it is to be remembered that the commission could not just re-make Canada to suit themselves but had to offer a compromise plan that would help Canada face post-war social and economic problems and at the same time have a reasonable chance of being accepted by the dominion and each of the nine provinces.

**WHAT OTHERS THINK**

**AUTOCRATS AT QUEEN'S PARK**  
(Midland Free Press)

Democracy means nothing to the Hepburn government. Not content with forcing the two-year term for municipal office on the cities, towns and villages of Ontario unless they vote "no," not content with pushing the sale of liquor into communities which do not want it, refusing to admit the authority of Canada's supreme court and withdraw its beer room licenses from counties which are "dry" under the Canada Temperance Act, the government has now gone a step farther in its assumption of autocratic power.

Attorney-General Conant has given notice that the Ontario legislature will consider legislation at its next session to permit the running of excursion trains on Sunday for skiing parties. With that one cannot quarrel. Legislatures have a right to consider any legislation. Mr. Conant makes the amazing statement, however, that the legislation will be made effective from Dec. 1, 1940, and that the railways may consequently go ahead now without any fear of prosecution for violation of the Lord's Day Act. The legislature does not meet till spring, but Mr. Conant not only assumes to say what action it will take then, but, in effect, proclaims the legislation to be in force months before it can be enacted.

Shades of Hitler and Mussolini!

The Brampton Conservator points out that the legalizing of Sunday ski trains is the thin edge of the wedge that will ultimately open the door to Sunday movies, Sunday baseball, and hockey and the wide-open European Sunday.



Folks, it's great to realize that another year has rolled around, knowing your old friends are true as ever . . . that you've made new ones.

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**"CHIPS" AND HIS CHUMS**

**THE PURPLE FINCHES DECIDE TO DEFEND THEIR RIGHTS**  
BY RUTH DINGMAN HEBB

Chips and His Chums wish all their followers and readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"I think we ought to gang up on him," Mrs. Purple Finch said firmly to her neighbor in the Mountain Ash tree. "I never heard of such a thing! It's scandalous!"

"Whatever is the matter?" inquired the big Pine Grosbeak, who had just arrived. "Who has been abusing whom?"

"My dear, it's really atrocious," Mrs. Finch confided. "He has actually had the nerve to fly right up into the top of this Mountain Ash tree."

"Who in the world are you talking about?" Mrs. Grosbeak asked again, impatiently. "You're talking in riddles. It seems perfectly natural to fly up to the top of a Mountain Ash tree. I, personally, know of nothing that makes more delicious eating than the Mountain Ash berry."

"Yes, yes, of course," it was the Finch's turn to be impatient, "but you don't understand. I'm talking about one of those great big Ring-necked Pheasants. He actually had the nerve to fly right up into our lovely tree, instead of staying respectfully on the ground, and picking up the berries that drop down."

"And you've no idea how many berries he ate?" another of the Purple Finches said. This time it was a young male who spoke, sporting the handsome rosy purple of the adult Finch gentlemen.

"He simply gobbled them up. My bill hung open watching him, I was so amazed. Why, he ate more in one minute than I eat in ten. It's unfair, I think."

"Why, that is serious!" agreed Mrs. Grosbeak, who was a pretty grey bird, half as big again as the Finches. She had white wing bars and strong patches of dark yellow on her head and back just above her tail, and a suggestion of yellow on her wings.

"By the way, where are the rest of your Grosbeak relatives?" asked young Mr. Purple Finch. "There are seven of us here right now, but you seem to be the only Grosbeak."

"I left my friends over in some evergreen trees about half a mile from here," explained Mrs. Grosbeak. "You don't mind if I stay with you folks for a while do you?"

"Of course not," Mrs. Finch said warmly. "Don't eat too many berries, though. Being bigger, you do eat more, you know. Still, perhaps you will help us chase the Pheasant away when he comes back again."

"Oh, have we decided to chase him?" another young Finch asked eagerly. "I didn't know I had been decided. Did the chief say so?"

"Like five of the other Finches, she was a dull, olive-brown color, strongly streaked, but with a heavy bill, more like the Grosbeaks' than the Sparrows'. One or two of the young males had a suggestion of rosy purple in their suits but only one was the dull reddish purple of the adult male. The other birds looked at him expectantly.

"Yes, I think we should definitely persecute him, until he decides he doesn't like flying up into trees," pronounced the beautiful Finch gentleman. "After all, there won't be nearly enough berries for us if he grabs them all. And he might bring a female Pheasant or two with him the next time."

"Ho, ho, what about the Christmas spirit?" jeered Young Chips, the Chickadee, from a little Cedar tree beside the big tree. "It's almost Christmas, you know. Where is your spirit of generosity?"

"It's all very well for you to talk," retorted one of the Finches. "You don't depend upon berries like we do. You eat mostly insects and larvae."

"Oh, I like an occasional berry, though," said Young Chips cheerfully. "And to tell you the truth, I'm hoping to be here when you all start darting and diving at the poor, unsuspecting Pheasant. I'll bet he'll be embarrassed."

"He'd better be," the Finch leader said darkly. "We'll be waiting for him."

able to make them quiet and well-bred."

However, a semblance of peace being finally restored, we, the cats, the boxes and the step-ladder congregated in the middle of the living-room.

"Is there any place I can sit and not be in the way?" asked mother.

"Oh—any place," said I vaguely, while Lugs made a flying leap from the kitchen to mother's knee, climbed to her shoulder and went over the back of the chair, leaving mother minus her breath and a hair-net.

Suddenly, the cats, having resurrected an old ball, departed, and the lovely task of decorating went on.

And it seemed to me as I watched the garlands, bells and stars fall into a pattern preconceived in the mind of the man of the house, that this year, all our familiar Christmas customs take on new meaning and new beauty, perhaps because we realize that our world is not the safe, sane place we used to think it.

We had discussed the possibility of not decorating this year—considered the right and wrong of it—but concluded that Christmas is such a vital, beautiful reality that it should be celebrated in every way we could.

Christ came in dark days—of cruelty and oppression for His countrymen, but angels hymned His birth and kings laid gifts at His cradle—so we're doing as we've always done.

Surely there is all the more reason to rejoice, when we realize again more fully, as we always do at this time of the year, that the Light of the World is shining as brightly as when the first Christmas morn dawned in Bethlehem.

"Could I have a push-back or are you composing a sonnet?" asked the man of the house, from his perch near the ceiling.

"What's that rustling?" asked mother from her chair by the fire.


I listened—yes, there was a queer rustling sound—then silence.

"It's from that big box over there," said the gentleman of the ladder. So I looked in the box "over there" and from the midst of a long garland, gay with bells and stars, peeped a small, pointed, gray face.

"Isn't he a darling?" I inquired of the room in general.

"Humph," said the ceiling decorator, and "humph, indeed," echoed mother, "that kitten can think of more mischief in a minute than any other cat in a year."

But now the evening was drawing to a close; the fire gave back the shimmer of silver from the stars, and the old mysterious thrill of Christmas was in the room and in our hearts, and from those hearts, we wish the editors, the staff, and the kindly readers of this column a glorious Christmas.



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## CONCERT IS CANCELLED BECAUSE OF MUMPS

A number from here attended the Baseline school concert on Wednesday evening, Dec. 18. Miss Graham and pupils are to be congratulated on their splendid program.

J. Whittaker had the misfortune of being badly shaken up and injuring his arm while he was clipping cattle at Ted Ley's. Friends are sorry to hear that Miss Audrey Young has been sick with the flu. She is recovering nicely.

Two boys of this community, Ralph Pollard and Percy Woods, received word to go in training the first of the new year.

Miss Ida Prosser is spending the holidays at her home here.

Mr. Royden Prosser and Mr. Gordon Hare returned from training in Newmarket on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey King attended a cousin's funeral in Hamilton last Sunday, Dec. 15.

A number of the children are disappointed this year because they are unable to hold their concert. A number of the children are sick with the mumps and now their teacher, Mr. Harnden, is ill.

## JOLLY ST. NICK

By GOLDEN GLOW

I certainly was amused the other day seeing in a paper about a course one could take to be trained in the gentle art of substituting for Santa Claus.

And yet, the more you come to think of it, the more sensible it becomes, for all the mothers will uphold me when I say that, if all the many, many Santa Clauses looked more alike, we would not have to prevaricate when the small folk call our attention to the discrepancies so evident to their critical young eyes in different Santa Clauses! The course taught the would-be Santa Claus how to adjust the accepted red tunic and bulky trousers, tucked into shiny high boots. How to attach Santa's white whiskers and long hair, crowned by the regulation Santa Claus bonnet.

Taught him how to pad his midriff to the exact proper proportion and make it shake naturally when he laughed. "Like a bowl full of jelly," as the old rhyme states. Yes, and taught him how to laugh the jolly Santa Claus laugh—the laugh so typical of good old St. Nick! Taught him the generally accepted Santa Claus chatter. Taught him how to approach the shy, bashful child, yes and how to suppress and keep one step ahead of the forward one—the child that knows it all and then some!

Oh, we can think up quite a number of things that a "Santa Claus course" would include, and not the least of these, either, is how to apply the proper makeup, so as not to be ridiculous and spoil the effect entirely.

It does seem rather a crime for older ones to delight in undecieving the younger ones, and telling them "of course there isn't any Santa Claus." Why not keep the wool over their eyes as long as we can; for oh, it really is delightful to believe in Santa Claus, and why not enjoy it as long as possible?

We have, like many others, in our young days, been keenly puzzled as to exactly how Santa came down the chimney—and filled the stockings hanging in a row along the mantelshelf over the fireplace. It never did seem to be explained satisfactorily, any more than how the jolly, red-colored sleigh Santa carried his toys in, and the six reindeer, kept from sliding off the roof!

Oh, aren't you sorry for the child that some kind (?) friend has undecieved, so that they never have heard jolly old St. Nick and his prancing reindeer up on the roof Christmas eve? I've heard him! Oh yes! And I was not easy to undecieve! (None so blind as those who won't see!) The merry sleigh-bells that jingled on the reindeer as St. Nick drove them up the roof to the chimney—why, I even heard them stamp their little feet, as they waited for Santa's return!

What a lot a child has missed who never put a glass of milk and a plate of goodies ready for Santa, after he had filled the stockings—proof positive there is a real Santa Claus, in the morning to find plate and glass both empty! Of course Santa enjoyed his lunch—the best crumb!

I think every nation has either "Santa Claus" or some other name for "Father Christmas," but naturally we like our own conception of St. Nick the best of all, tiding in a little red sleigh with his reindeer, each with a string of jolly sleigh-bells—and his sleigh simply overflowing with the loveliest of toys and a bag over his shoulder, bulging with the toys carried with him when he alights on the roof to go down the chimney! That's our good old St. Nick!

I don't know when the delightful little ceremony of "writing a letter to Santa" first originated, but it was a grand way of finding out what different ones wanted him to bring them.

All the same, it must be a pretty strenuous and a pretty hot job, substituting for Santa Claus. If you are near enough to children that they can investigate you too closely, you may come to grief, for there usually is some "smart alec" who delights in exposing the fraud! Or maybe you have to wear a Santa Claus mask, and you get so terribly hot that you are beamed, and in self-defence off comes the false face and beard—you open up the red jacket to cool off and out falls the cushion that gave you that jolly round shape. But human endurance has its limits, and with heat and excitement the Santa Claus role could easily become an endurance test!

It used to be at the Sunday-school Christmas tree that St. Nick did his best work up on the platform above us, and with his helpers cutting the gifts off the gorgeous Christmas tree, looking to see for whom the prize was meant, and whispering the name to Santa as he handed over the gift—then—oh joy of joys—Santa calling out your name and somebody lifting you up, if you were small, to receive your gift right from Santa Claus himself! That Sunday-school Christmas tree of the old days, standing so majestically on the platform of the town hall, reaching from floor to ceiling, glistening and sparkling, and literally covered with gifts—what greater delight could any child ask? And the gift was always something you had wanted very much, so you made sure Santa must have brought it—nobody else knew about it.

Give good St. Nick a chance and he'll do the rest! Keep the little ones believing in Santa Claus the same as we used to—don't cheat them out of what is rightfully theirs—and I am sure it could never, by any stretch of the imagination, do them any harm to believe there really is a Santa Claus!

## Elmhurst Beach

Elmhurst Beach, Dec. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. James Clarke and children spent Friday in Toronto.

Mrs. Abe Sedore was at the funeral of her cousin, Mr. Thomas Stevens, at Grimsby on Monday.

Mrs. Archie Sedore and children have been visiting friends in Toronto for a few days.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foster in the loss of their son-in-law, Mr. Harry Comer, who passed away at Baldwin after a very short illness.

Mrs. Wilmet Lloyd spent a few days visiting friends in Toronto last week.

Mrs. Malcolm Beare of Hanover, Ont., spent last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Isaac Waldon.

Much sympathy is extended to Mrs. Walinck in the loss of her mother, Mrs. McGeachie, who passed away in Toronto last week.

Mr. L. B. Pollock is attending the fur pull show at the King Edward hotel, Toronto, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry March of Bradford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lockertie.

Mrs. L. B. Pollock is visiting friends in Toronto this week.

## NATIVE OF BRADFORD GETS IMPORTANT APPOINTMENT

R. S. Hamer, general executive assistant, dominion department of agriculture, has been promoted to the position of director of production service of the department, succeeding the late George B. Rothwell.

Mr. Hamer, who was born at Bradford, Ont., in 1883, graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, in 1907, and that year was appointed one of the first six agricultural representatives for the Ontario department of agriculture.

In November, 1911, he was appointed assistant to the livestock commissioner. Two years later he was made chief of the cattle division and in 1933 was advanced to chief of livestock field services and assistant commissioner. Following the reorganization of the department in 1937, he was made general executive assistant.

In his new position, Mr. Hamer will be responsible for administering the work of the four divisions of the production service, namely, livestock and poultry; health of animals, plant products and plant protection.

## EAST GWILLIMBURY COUNCIL WINDS UP BUSINESS FOR 1940

The final meeting of the East Gwillimbury municipal council was held in Sharon hall last Monday. The members were all present.

The treasurer was asked to pay the county levy of \$8,452.34, the high school levy of \$5,213.60, the vocational school levy of \$519.52, and the levy of \$340.22 for county patriotic purposes.

The clerk was ordered to write off the \$2 dog tax of Harold Boyd.

The treasurer was given an order to pay one-half the school levies to the school treasurer, with the balance to be paid April 1, 1941.

The treasurer was asked to return to those that tendered for bridge construction, the deposits held at the clerk's office.

Accounts passed for payment were: K. Holly, refund snow account, \$2.60; county taxes, \$1,925.34; E. R. Fry, stamps, \$4.50; Stuart Travis, weed inspector, \$10; W. T. Huntley, weed inspector, \$35.85; hospital for consumptives, treatment, \$10; Chris Jones, school attendance officer, \$32.50; Dr. Leary, x-ray, \$5; J. E. Jardine, salary, \$10.

J. S. Osborne, reeve, salary, \$125; J. S. Osborne, signing cheques, \$10; Byron Silver, salary, \$120; Alan Shaw, salary, \$120; Walter Proctor, salary, \$120; Geo. Pearson, salary, \$120; Geo. Pearson, signing cheques, \$10.

Road accounts: King township settlement, \$52.30; erecting snowfence, \$19.50; trucking, \$38; other labor, \$2; total, \$68.50.

On motion the meeting adjourned.



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## WELL-KNOWN NORTH YORK FIGURE DIES

A resident of his old family homestead, "Bonshaw," on Yonge St., just north of Newmarket, Christopher Harleston Irving died at York county hospital on Tuesday after an illness of about ten days. He was about 80 years old.

Mr. Irving was well-known in Newmarket, where he made daily visits. Born in Hamilton, he was the son of Augusta Guly and Sir Aemilius Irving. He was the brother-in-law of Aemilius Jarvis, well-known Aurora sportsman and financier, who, by a strange coincidence, died two days later, on Thursday.

Mr. Irving's father was a judge in Toronto, but "Bonshaw" was the family home, where Mr. Irving moved as a young boy. He attended school at Port Hope and college at Guelph. After farming for a short time he served in the Boer war and was decorated for service.

Mr. Irving married twice and was twice left a widower. His first wife was Miss Bell Bowman and his second was Miss Aemilius Roe.

The funeral service was held on Thursday afternoon at St. Paul's church, with interment in the family plot in St. James cemetery, Toronto. Surviving are two brothers, Humphrey of Toronto, Wentworth of Vancouver, and one sister, Mrs. Sutherland, of Montreal.

## ZEPHYR INSTITUTE HOLDS CHRISTMAS MEETING

Zeephyr, Dec. 18.—Mr. Donald McLaren of Fort William visited his sister, Mrs. James Lockie, on Sunday.

The regular monthly meeting of the Zeephyr Women's Institute was held in the community hall on Dec. 12 with the president in the chair. The meeting opened with the Opening Ode, the Lord's prayer and the Institute creed in unison. After the business, roll-call and current events were given. The Christmas program opened with community singing, "Joy to the World" and "Silent Night."

Christmas readings were given by Mrs. Galbraith, Mrs. J. W. Rynard and Mrs. H. Squires, followed by a piano solo by Dorothy Ferguson. Mrs. I. A. Armstrong gave a reading on the common cold.

The meeting closed with "God save the King" and a social half-hour.

Mr. John Heaton is visiting his brother and family at Concord.

The bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rynard, returned from their honeymoon and were received by "Zeephyr Repaz band." They have settled down on their farm a mile and a quarter east of Zeephyr, where they will receive their friends.

Local market prices will be found on page one this week, and Toronto market prices on page eight.

## Holt

Holt, Dec. 18.—The Christmas program of Holt Sunday-school is being held in the church on Monday evening, Dec. 23, at 8 o'clock.

The school meeting of S.S. No. 6 will be held in the schoolhouse on Friday evening, Dec. 27, at 8 p.m. All raterpayers are requested to attend.

Several of the boys on the seventh line gave Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Allison a rousing charivari last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cain and Arthur Lepard attended the funeral of the late Harry Comer at Baldwin on Monday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Armstrong of Mount Albert spent the weekend with Miss Audrey Gibney.

Mr. Walter Couch of Bala, Muskoka, was home over the weekend.

Several attended the fifth line school concert on Monday evening, also several attended Shrubmount school concert on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Arthur Lepard returned Sunday after spending a few weeks with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Douglas Moorehead, of Mount Albert.

## Maple Hill

Maple Hill, Dec. 18.—Those who were present on Monday evening for the Christmas tree and entertainment enjoyed it very much. The slides on the birth of Christ were very good. The Christmas tree was nicely decorated and old Santa Claus was full of fun. There were not so many out as usual. Some are still ill. A speedy recovery is hoped for them.

The young people met Wednesday evening in the church vestry. Prayer meeting is on Thursday evening at the home of Mr. Robt. Knights.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Plummer and Doreen visited Mr. Plummer's sister, Mrs. Gillian, at Markham, on Sunday, bringing their nephew, Mr. Russell Gillian, home with them.

A list of \$3,000,000,000 in new U. S. war orders was completed by British officials on Thursday, without immediate assurance of payment.

Unconfirmed reports persist that there are large numbers of German troops in the Italian peninsula.

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### BOXING-DAY A HOLIDAY

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I take this opportunity of wishing all the citizens a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

S. J. Boyd,  
Mayor.

### HEADMASTER'S WORDS COMMENDED IN BARRIE

The following is an editorial from the Barrie Examiner, generally regarded as one of the two or three leading weeklies in Canada.

A timely message was delivered by Mr. Joseph McCulley, headmaster of Pickering college, in an address to the Barrie Kiwanis club recently on the subject of "Education in War Time." Mr. McCulley said that the allies had lost the last Great War after the cessation of hostilities because they had failed to give proper youth leadership. He stressed the necessity of maintaining the highest standard of education possible during the present war, since the rebuilding of the world after war will largely depend upon the youth of today.

In concentrating our efforts upon the immediate task of winning the war, we must not overlook the duty that we owe to the rising generation. Victory over the enemy will not be complete or worth the sacrifice if we allow ourselves to be defeated on the home front through neglect of preparation of youth for the future. There need be no clash between our war effort and this peace effort, for they can not only run concurrently, but can be mutually helpful. Even in Great Britain, where thousands of children have been evacuated from the cities and where the entire school system has been disrupted, teachers are striving under great difficulties to continue the work of education. With our educational equipment intact we can carry on as usual, and we should take full advantage of our privileges in this respect.

While there is so much being pulled down and destroyed by war, it is the special task of the teacher to train young life for the work of rebuilding. With this end in view, our educational system may need revising along more practical lines for the development of a more vigorous type of citizenship. As Mr. McCulley pointed out, "the world has become more complex, with mechanical devices of all kinds. This has changed our commercial and industrial life and it is hard for young people to adjust themselves." It is not enough to stock their minds with academic knowledge, valuable as that may be in mental culture. Youth must be made strong in character and physique to face the future with intelligence, courage and endurance. The lessons of the present war should be impressed upon their minds. They should be made aware of the ideals and principles involved in the present struggle. They must be taught to cherish the liberties that are now being preserved for them as the future citizens of Canada and the Empire. Theirs will be the inheritance, and they must learn to be worthy of the sacrifice with which it was bought. (Barrie Examiner).



The Christmas season is with us again—the season when jolly old St. Nick makes his annual rounds and brings cheer to all—the season when the exchanging and opening of gifts will say "A Merry Christmas."

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Wanted to buy—A grain crusher, feeder 8, 9 or 10 inches. Two collie pups for sale. Apply L. E. Ewart, R.R. 3, Newmarket, or phone 201w3. clw47

#### HELP WANTED

Domestic help wanted—Bright, cheerful, willing girl wanted for housework. Write stating age, references, wages expected to start. Mrs. O. A. Hulton, 153 Forest Hill Rd., Toronto, Ont. clw47

Help wanted—Middle-aged woman or girl. Full-time preferred. Apply 64 Queen St. E. \*1w46

### CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Mr. Alex. L. Dunn wish to express their thanks for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy extended by friends and neighbors during their recent bereavement.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. Charles Brooks of Mount Albert wishes to announce the engagement of Ruth Isabelle Brooks to Kenneth Charles Mitchell, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Mitchell of Newmarket. The wedding will take place quietly the first part of next month.

### BIRTHS

Bagshaw—At York county hospital, Dec. 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bagshaw, Pefferlaw, (nee Ruth Webster, Aurora), a son, James Bruce. clw47

Hope—At York county hospital, Dec. 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hope, Aurora, a son.

### DEATHS

Jarvis—In the Private Patients' Pavilion, Toronto General hospital, on Thursday, Dec. 19, Edward Aemilius Jarvis, in his 81st year, son of the late W. D. P. Jarvis and Diana Irving.

The funeral service was held in Toronto on Saturday afternoon, Interment St. James' cemetery, Toronto.

Proctor—At Newmarket, on Saturday, Minerva L. Stokes, wife of the late Wakefield Proctor, in her 83rd year.

Funeral service at the residence of her son, Howard Proctor, 73 Prospect St., on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 2:30, D.S.T. Interment Kettleby cemetery.

Wills—At York county hospital, Newmarket, on Sunday, Minnie Kier, wife of the late Edmund Watson Wills, in her 70th year.

Funeral service at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John Skinner, lot 32, concession 5, Whitelock, on Tuesday, at 2:30 p.m., S.T. Interment Pine Orchard cemetery.

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#### NOTICE

North Gwillimbury Township  
A list of lands for sale for arrears of taxes has been prepared and copies thereof may be obtained from the treasurer, W. Erwin Winch, Belhaven, and the list is being published in the Ontario Gazette; and that in default of payment of the taxes, the lands will be sold by public auction on Saturday, Jan. 11, 1941, at the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the community hall, Belhaven. W. Erwin Winch, treasurer. clw47




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A recent wedding of interest was that of Emily Grace Barker, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Barker of Sharon, to Ronald I. Allison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Allison of Mount Albert. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Hugh Shannon of Queensville, at the home of the bride's parents.

The young couple are residing on the groom's farm at Mount Albert. Photo by Budd Studio.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

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—Miss Dorothy Barraclough of Richmond Hill will be a Christmas guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lowe.

—Mr. George D. Wark, now of Orillia, was a visitor in town last week, calling on Mr. Henry Bennett, Mr. W. J. Patterson and other friends.

—Miss Catherine McCaffrey and Miss Margaret Coyle of Toronto will spend the Christmas holiday with Miss McCaffrey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McCaffrey.

—Mr. Geo. Atkinson and Miss Margaret Atkinson of Long Branch and Mr. Alan Taylor of New Toronto spent Sunday with Mr. Atkinson's daughter, Mrs. Geo. Lincoln.

—Miss Grace Gee of Montreal is visiting her mother, Mrs. Elgin Perrin, for the Christmas holidays.

—Miss Helen Blendauer will spend the Christmas holidays at her home in Port Elgin.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Young will spend the Christmas holiday with relatives in Galt.

—Mr. and Mrs. N. Yawman and Miss Margaret Dolan will spend the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dolan, Toronto.

—Miss Velma Scarborough of Scarborough Bluffs spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Holden.

—Pte. Doug. May of Camp Borden was home for a couple of days this week.

—Mr. J. Tutton of Kettleby spent a few days last week with his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Sloss, and Mr. Sloss.

—Mrs. Wm. Webster and son of Toronto are spending a couple of weeks with Mrs. Webster's mother, Mrs. Allan Denne, who is ill.

—Miss Shirley Patterson of Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., and Mr. Jack Patterson of Toronto Medical school are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Patterson. Mr. Lorne Patterson of Guelph will be home for the holidays also.

—Mrs. A. J. McCaffrey and Misses Anna and Betty McCaffrey of Toronto will spend the holiday with Mrs. McCaffrey's son, Mr. J. J. McCaffrey, and Mrs. McCaffrey.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Price of Dunville and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Coles of Toronto will spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harper Price.

### ERA WILL BE EARLY

The Era will be published next week on Monday, Dec. 30, as the holiday on Wednesday will break up the week. Correspondents and advertisers are asked to co-operate. Copy should reach The Era by Thursday and not later than Saturday. Important additional items can be handled on Monday. Thursday publication will be resumed on Jan. 9.

### PADRE GIVES XMAS MESSAGE

The following Christmas message from Capt. the Rev. T. W. F. G. Andrews appears in the Brampton Conservator, Capt. Andrews, pastor of a Brampton church, was formerly pastor of Trinity United church, Newmarket, and is at present Protestant chaplain at Newmarket training centre.

"I think at this time, of thousands of children who will spend Christmas this year without their soldier dad. Many will never see him again on earth. Think of how much harder it is for a boy to enjoy Christmas without dad. May I ask that mother and older brothers and sisters give more time than usual to these little ones in helping them to enjoy Christmas, and in telling them the story of the Christ Child. Tell it in their language, not as a fairy tale, but as a Bible story of real merit.

"I think also of the soldiers and their more mature relations. There are many thousands who will be separated from loved ones. Each will be picturing

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what the others are doing on that day of days, Christmas day. Prayer after prayer will go up to the throne of grace for protection, guidance and strength in the great struggle of right against wrong.

"May I say again, 'He came that they might have life.' 'In Him was life and His life was the light of men' and all the darkness of this cruel world can never put it out.

"But is Christmas not a time for joy? It surely is. It is a time to make merry. But to lose the Christ in the midst of domestic pleasure or to forget Him in our gifts, or not to hear His voice at the fireside or fail by faith to see His shining face would indeed be tragedy.

"May this Christmas bring a measure of joy and peace to every heart is my wish."



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### RECEIVE CERTIFICATES

Last Tuesday 60 graduates of the home nursing class received their certificates from Dr. C. R. Boulding in Trinity parish hall.

Seated on the platform were Mrs. H. J. Charles, Miss Eva Lemon and other Red Cross officials.

On behalf of the classes Mrs. John Moynihan, Jr. and Miss Dorothy Clarke presented plants to Sister Etheldreda, S.S.J.D., and Mrs. W. C. Wallis, Sr., the two instructors.

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## START 1941 RIGHT

The coffers of the Aurora high school literary society were enriched by a net profit of \$36.32 from the annual high school commencement. The society has a nice fund with which to start the year. Total receipts were \$39.75, while expenses amounted to \$3.43.

## IRISH GET "COLONEL"

Captain James Flanagan, well-known Toronto financier and philanthropist, has accepted the office of honorary colonel of the 2nd Irish regiment (C.A.R.C.). Captain Flanagan, with Sir William Mulock, took the salute in front of the Aurora post office in October last when the Irish regiment had its drumhead service.

## MRS. C. R. BOULDING WILL CONDUCT COURSE

Early in the New Year the Aurora Red Cross will commence their series of lectures in war nutrition. Mrs. C. R. Boulding, who took the course at Guelph O.A.C., under the direction of the provincial government, will be in charge.

## HELP POSTIES

As usual many Aurora young men and war veterans are engaged in Christmas work at the Toronto post office. Work will end for most either this evening or tomorrow. Forty cents an hour is the rate of wages the men receive.

## CALL BY R.C.A.F.

Douglas Egan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Egan, Wells St., and an employee of the T. Sisman Shoe Company, who made application for the R.C.A.F., has received word to report for duty, and will leave for Manning pool, Toronto, on Thursday, Dec. 26.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Marian Bolton will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Bolton, at Niagara Falls, Ont.

Miss Bertha Andrews of the staff of Honeywood continuation school arrived home on Friday for the holiday weeks.

Mr. Maurice Cowieson, Wellington St., is spending the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Cowieson, Toronto.

Mr. James McCuskey and daughter of Winnipeg, and Mr. and Mrs. William Buffan of Meaford will spend Christmas with Mrs. M. McCuskey, Yonge St.

Mr. Lance Bennett of the Canadian Bank of Commerce staff is spending the holiday at Paris, Ont.

Miss Lella Boynton and Miss Edythe Turp of the Fleury-Bissell staff at Elora will spend the holiday in town with their respective families.

Mr. Cyril Hamblin of Toronto is spending the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, Wells St.

Miss Iris Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hamilton, Old Yonge St., is home on holidays from Hatfield Hall, Cobourg, and has as her guest Miss Roslyn Griffiths of Surrey, England, who is this year attending Hatfield Hall.

Miss Marian Thompson, of the Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby, is spending the holiday weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Thompson, Victoria St.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Doolittle, Catharine Ave., attended the annual Christmas party of the Black Watch association last Wednesday evening. Mr. Doolittle was a member of this famous unit during the Great War.

Mr. Morgan Baker, M.L.A., was in town last Wednesday.

Ex-Reeve A. J. Knowles and family, of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Knowles, and Pte. Keith Knowles of the Irish Regiment, C.A.S.F., and Mrs. Knowles will spend the holiday with Mrs. R. Cockerill, Victoria St.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morton of Mount Albert were in town on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Sambrook were in town on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnston, David and John, of Toronto, spent Sunday with Mrs. Ruth Hulce.

Mr. William Smith, Metcalfe St., will spend Christmas at Niagara Falls, Ont., with his daughter, Mrs. Audrey Smith.

Mrs. Robt. Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leggett and Miss Anna Leggett, and Mr. and Mrs. Hillard Bryan of Maple will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dew, Forest Hill Village.

Corporals David Judd and Tom Smith, instructors at the North Bay militia camp, are home with their respective families on holiday leave.

Clifford Chapman of the R.C.A.F., Guelph, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Chapman, George St.

William Bull of the veterans' home guard is home on leave.

Pte. Hubert Tunney of the Duffin-Haldimand Rifles is home on Christmas leave.

Pte. James Cook of the Argyl-Sutherland Highlanders, who is awaiting a call to the R.C.A.F., will be home on six-day leave over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Teasdale and son of Buffalo, N.Y., will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Teasdale, Temperance St.

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## Two-Year Question Brings Interest In Town Election

Rumor is rampant that there will be an old-time election in Aurora on Jan. 6. Nominations will be held in the Mechanics' hall on Monday, Dec. 30, from 7.30 until 8.30 p.m., D.S.T.

Frank Underhill has already announced his intention of contesting the mayoralty, while it is said that Councillor Dr. E. J. Henderson, who has served on the council for the past three years, will also contest the chief magistrate's office. No official pronouncement has been made by Mayor J. M. Walton, who is said to be retiring this year, although undoubtedly pressure will be brought to bear on Mr. Walton to have him seek another term.

As yet there appears to be little opposition in sight for the county council seats. Reeve Charles A. Malloy will definitely be a candidate for the reeveship, while Deputy-Reeve C. E. Sparks will be a certain nominee for the deputy-reeveship. It is thought by those "in the know" that these two men will receive acclamations, although time alone will tell.

Councillors G. A. C. Gunton and John Stuart will again be candidates, and it is said that Councillor Ross Linton will again be drafted for service, although he has made no announcement as to his intentions.

Councillor A. J. G. Wilson, who has moved from Aurora, cannot, of course, qualify as a candidate, so that there is one sure seat at the board to be filled, with two seats vacant if Councillor Dr. E. J. Henderson runs for mayor.

Mentioned among those who may seek council seats, or who are being urged to seek a seat by their friends, are ex-Reeve L. K. Farr, Stewart Patrick, C. C. Macdonald, Ralph Grieves, Fred Rowland, George Duffield, Victor Jones, B. E. Hambley, Charles Davies and A. N. Fisher. In addition, several dark horses are said to be considering seeking election, while pressure is being brought on ex-Councillor Howard Bunn to again be a candidate.

There will, of course, be a vote on the two-year term and this reason is given for the large list of names suggested, since there will definitely be a vote of the ratepayers this year.

For school board trustees, J. F. Willis, Daniel J. Webster and W. A. M. Cody are the trio whose term of office expires this year. All three are said to be certain candidates again, while the names of H. A. F. Bowman and John Hudson are also mentioned, as well as those of several prominent women in town. If a woman should run, it would be a novelty for local politics.

## DOWN THE CENTRE

Barrie Colts took Aurora on Wednesday, but the margin wasn't very great despite pre-game misgivings, and after last year's games it didn't seem quite the same hockey for either team.

Stan. Gibbons, the Newmarket boy and former Aurora player, was on the Barrie defence and obviously not too experienced at the post. Red Jorgenson was absent, and it was just an experiment with the right-winger. Stan. will make the grade and his rosy apple complexion and good sportsmanship have been approved by the fans and we'll wager a few feminine hearts, too.

Rooting for Aurora came from Bert Southwood, Jim Donnelly of Richmond Hill and some of their buddies from the Camp Borden gang.

Archie Thompson, the dark-cloud leather-pusher and umpire, was present and dropped around to extend the season's greetings. He sent along greetings to all his friends down here, including the Newmarket and Richmond Hill softballers.

Red Farrell had a real fanning bee with Hack Wilson. When these former peach-kings got together, no one can get a word in. It is one official who should certainly be kept in mind by the local club for action. He is especially good at the blue-line decisions, and his hockey experience gives him the player and fan reaction necessary to keep up a good brand of hockey.

The reinforcements expected for this game didn't materialize, but six or seven new boys, including

two experienced goalies, will be on hand for the heavy practice Jim Walker has scheduled prior to next Thursday's tussle.

Ken House, the Maple banker in the nets, is improving each time out, but he looks a little awkward and a more experienced boy would aid the defence. House, who originally hails from New Hamburg, and last year was with Richmond Hill, will battle them all when he gets his sea legs. Erie Bunn, too, given the opportunity, has plenty of stuff, but a two-year lay-off for a youngster is hard to overcome.

Waterloo Skis, denied Kitchener rink because they refused to release players to the ambitious Kitchener greenshirts, have made New Hamburg their ice. They'll not lose many home games but away from home will be different. Maybe the atmosphere will do them good. For New Hamburg for its size has turned out some real players, headed by Earl Siebert, Gimney Lederman, Ott Heller, Trushinski and many others.

Dr. Harry Smith was in town last week wearing the King's uniform. In case you don't remember him, we ask you to think back to halcyon days when Stonfville was a potential great. Smith was the local doctor, a great ball supporter and a general utility player, too. Whenever Stonfville took Aurora, he used to give Elmer Henderson a real kicking, and once in a while moon Dr. Henderson got his revenge. Dr. Smith is now with the 2nd Field Ambulance at Camp Borden.

## FIRE-DRILLS SHOW PUPILS ARE SPEEDY

Fire Chief Harry Jones, making his annual report at last Monday's council meeting, showed a total of 17 calls and two outside fires, for which \$90 was paid, one-half going to the brigade, six practices, complete inspection of premises, etc.

Two firemen this year attended the extension course in fire-fighting offered by the University of Toronto and the chief exhibited his handsome diploma to the meeting.

The brigade took third honors in the hook and ladder race at Thorold on civic holiday and served in same capacity in no less than 15 different community affairs.

Dances, bingos, and social nights enabled the brigade to raise funds to purchase much new equipment and additions for their new clubrooms.

Fire-drills were carried out in the schools, two at each. At the public school, 228 children did the routine in 17 minutes and on another occasion beat the minute mark by five seconds, with a 55 second performance.

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**KING TOWNSHIP  
BOXING DAY WILL  
BE OBSERVED IN KING**

Thursday, Dec. 26, Boxing Day, was declared a civic holiday within the municipality of King, at the regular meeting of the council of the township of King, at Sutton's hotel last Monday. All members were present.

General accounts passed were: Toronto Western hospital, \$1; Geo. McDonald & Co., office supplies, 76c; the Liberal printing office, advertising, \$3; C.N.I. for the Blind, \$12; department of Game & Fisheries, township pheasant license, \$3.75; Nobleton postmaster, postage, \$38.01; S. Stewart Joseph, stationery, \$5.05; Maurice Hayward, constable, \$26.20; H. G. Rose, registrations, \$2.50; J. H. Sutton, rent for council meeting, \$5; J. A. Farquhar, constable services, \$12.02; parish hall, Kettleby, rent for hall for nomination meeting, \$10; Parish hall, Kettleby, hall for court of revision, \$5; H. Fizzell, 50c; Imperial Bank of Canada, tax collections, \$49.63; Arthur Wesley, school attendance work, \$14.69; W. E. Dale, supplies, P.V.S., \$1.13; Len Baguley, supplies, P.V.S., \$1; J. Hart, labor, P.V.S., \$7.80; C. Feli, 10 bulbs, \$2.50; Harry Kitchen, supplies, 45c; B. Graham, supplies, \$3.90; H. Fizzell, labor, \$1.20; H. Hollingshead, labor, \$1.20; Elwood Aitchison, labor, \$14.88; Geo. Bye, labor, \$1.20; H. Russell, labor, \$19.53; W. H. Burling, labor, \$17.75; P. V. Schomberg, Maynard's fire, \$20; Thos. Mac-Murphy telephone \$2.23.

Relief account, \$132.89; road voucher, No. 13, \$1,502.03; road voucher No. 14, \$1,296.67; W. W. Gardhouse, county treasurer, \$11.87, November hospitalization; John Chamberlain, \$11, for sheep killed by dogs; Walter Proctor, \$13, for sheep killed by dogs.

The council approved of the plan of sub-division, being part of lot 7, concession one, new survey, as submitted by A. J. Saint, but the council declared it was not responsible for any road allowance or the upkeep of same on this property, and the reeve and clerk were instructed to sign the plans as submitted.

The treasurer was asked to pay the treasurer of the county of York \$27,942.29, King's portion of the 1940 county levy.

Authorization was given to pay Geo. Farley of the assessment department of the city of Toronto \$50 for that portion of the right-of-way between the King side-road and Maple Ave., in the Burnaby sub-division at Yonge St. This cheque was to be delivered to Mr. Farley when he delivers the deed. This price was in accordance with the report of the special committee of the reeve and deputy-reeve on this matter.

The council accepted the map of this township as presented by the road superintendent, showing the various roads that are to be snow-plowed during the winter of 1940 and 1941.

The treasurer was authorized to issue a cheque to A. J. Saint, Bradford, for the sum of \$45.85, being the amount of the Holland Marsh maintenance credit note on his property, described as lot 7, concession 1 (N.S.), as the taxes were paid in full by Mr. Saint on his property.

The treasurer was authorized to issue cheques to the secretary-treasurer of the several school sections and union school sections to the amount of \$31,776.83, being the amount of the trustees' grant, township grants, the clergy reserve grant, the surplus grant and the county grant on equipment, made up according to the attached statement.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at King City on Jan. 13, 1941, at Armstrong's hotel, at 9 a.m., or at the call of the chair.

**SCHOMBERG  
PRIZES PRESENTED  
AT SCHOOL CONCERT**

The Christmas market was unusually large on Wednesday, with prices exceptionally good. Fowl was brought from long distances. Plans are being made for a real old-time dance, to be held in the town hall on Friday, Dec. 27. The entire proceeds will be devoted to Greek relief. This event is being sponsored by the entire community.

The Women's Association of the United Church held their annual meeting and election of officers in the church basement last Tuesday afternoon. The year was quite successful in every way, with a nice financial balance after all obligations had been met.

The election of officers resulted as follows:  
Honorary president, Mrs. S. Dixon; president, Mrs. John Hart; vice-president, Mrs. Blake Skinner; secretary, Mrs. Roy Dixon; treasurer, Mrs. A. Forth.

All officers were returned again except the secretary. Mrs. H. H. Sawdon retired from this post because she is moving from this district to Tottenham.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

The ladies' bridge club was entertained on Wednesday evening of last week at the home of Miss Clara Spruile.

The Schomberg public and continuation schools put on a very fine Christmas concert in the town hall on Thursday evening, consisting of drills, dances, recitations and plays. Prizes and diplomas were presented. The valedictory address was given by Miss Grace Wauchope. The teachers and pupils are to be congratulated on

their fine work, both academically and socially.

Miss Lucy Fox is quite ill at the present time. Friends wish her a speedy recovery and a happy Christmas.

**EVERSLEY  
FARMER OF SIXTY  
BEGINS CUTTING TEETH**

Here is a story for Andy Clarke! It is of a 60-year-old farmer, who is still teething. One of the local farmers had his teeth extracted a couple of years ago, and after



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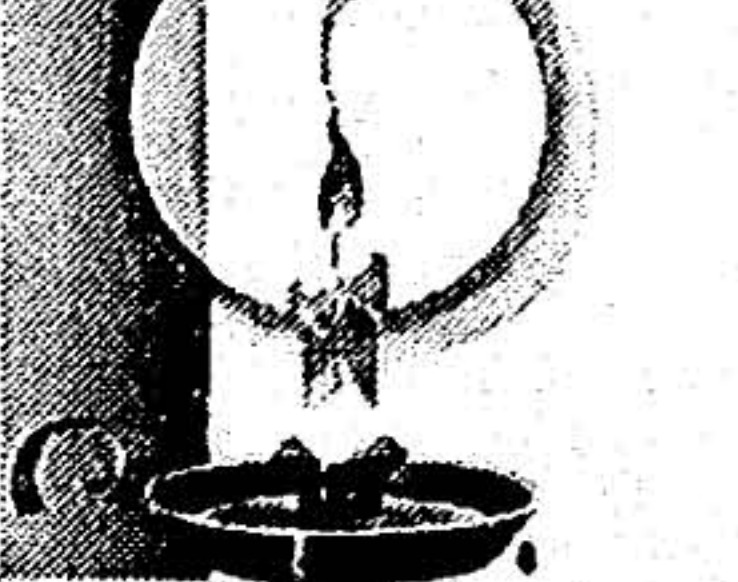
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a long interval of "gumming it," he got his new set. But they hurt, and kept on hurting, till an x-ray being taken, it was found that a tooth was coming through and was causing the trouble. It was extracted after a difficult operation. After a time another sore place developed in the jaw about the same place, and the artificial could not be worn. Again the dentist examined the jaw and discovered another tooth was sprouting. This was removed, though it left an aching void.

Now that this farmer will be 61 years old on Christmas day, he hopes he is through teething. The "slaughter of the innocents" is on now, and the fine fat geese and chickens are being prepared for the Christmas market.

Icy pavements make travelling still dangerous, and the back roads are especially slippery. Trying to climb a hill on one of the side-roads, Mr. Bowen's car turned round and went down. The road was a glare of ice.

Eversley Young People's met at the home of Mr. Bak on Monday night. It was a foggy night, and the King members did not attend. The vice-president, Edith Bovair, presided. Dorothy Ball led in prayer. Readings were given by Annie and Ethel Ferguson, and Edith Bovair. Mr. Bak played mouth-organ selections, and Ross Follitt and Roy Bowen conducted contests. Christmas carols were sung.

Eversley community prays for a happy Christmas season, with peace on earth.

**BULLDOG BREED  
WRITE LETTERS  
AMID BOMBING**

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attacking a large bumblebee. Can you imagine it? And then four Jerries baled out and was there, some, excitement? The pity is the plane fell on some houses but we say, well it is war, so just carry on.

"Can you picture us going to earth every night? We all hope our winter will bring better nights to us but so far it is hopeless. Have you seen pictures of Anderson shelters? They really are a boon to us and we feel very secure in them."

"... It's again dug-out time. So will close this scrawl, hoping you will be able to understand all the alterations. Blame it to Hitler, he's so aggravating..."

The second letter, written in November, from the locality of an arsenal, cannot be quoted so fully: "Just a few lines to let you know we are still alive and O.K. but we never know from minute to minute whether we are going to be next."

"The raids are terrible over here. We get them every half-hour in day-time and from 6 o'clock at night till 7.30 in the morning. Then it starts all over again all day. We are just trusting to God for foggy weather, to get a rest from them."

"We have been bombed day and night for three months. We have to go to public shelters at night, as we are having as many as 150 planes over at night. The bombardment is terrible. There is hardly a house standing in some streets. If you could only see us over here. Nothing but ruins. You cannot explain to anyone what it is like, unless it is seen."

"We have not been in our beds since the bombing started. Five hundred planes came over in the first raid at 5 o'clock on Saturday night, the seventh of September... Then they came back the same night and bombed all night. We are waiting for the day to get the flying fortresses over, then we will show them. What do you think about the Italians' fleet... They have a lot more to come to them."

Mr. Churevill has told them they have got to be beaten first, and we are sure doing it. Hitler is getting his dose at the same time. I hope you will be able to read this, as we are down in the shelter, where there are 200 people, and the guns outside are shaking the shelter badly."

"We have been here tonight since five minutes to six, when screaming Lizzie went off and it doesn't half scream."

"We are not too bad off for food here at present. We are allowed two ounces of butter each for each person, one-quarter (pound) of margarine a week (when that is gone we go dry bread), one-quarter pound of sugar each a week (after Tuesday no sugar, as it is not enough to last any longer, when there are only two of you), one-quarter pound of tea for two. So you see within a little how we go on. Everything is as low as possible, but we put up with all, and sure we can take it, as we know we shall be the victor."

"I think we are doing wonderful, considering we are fighting alone, and the way we have been let down, but still we let them see we show our bulldog teeth and rule the waves."

"We have hardly any gas, as it has been bombed. We have to use candles for light. We are only able to cook on the fire until we get gas through."

"I hope you all have a very happy Christmas, and the family are united together. As for us over here, God knows if we shall ever see it, but he won't kill us all. So I close with the

best of wishes for a prosperous new year. So God bless you all."

**SNOWBALL  
ELECT OFFICERS FOR  
SNOWBALL SOCIETIES**

The Women's Association and Woman's Missionary Society held their December meeting at the home of Miss Hazel Webb on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 11.

The election of officers for the new year was as follows: hon. pres., Mrs. C. Copson; president, Miss Hazel Webb; vice-pres., Mrs. Haines; secretary, Mrs. Teasdale; lunch com., Mrs. Morning. Mrs. Patrick; flower com., Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Wood.

W.M.S. officers: president, Mrs. Almonte Appleton; vice-pres., Mrs. Mitchell; sec.-treas., Mrs. Clifford White, 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. Farren.

William Patrick passed away at his home on the third concession of King on Thursday, Dec. 5. He leaves one daughter, Mrs. Emily Brown of Newmarket, and two sons, Herbert of Snowball and Jesse of Newmarket. Deceased was in his 86th year. Interment was made in Aurora cemetery.

The Women's Institute meeting was held on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Earl Lloyd. The roll-call was answered by "A memory of grandmothers' day." There was an exchange of Christmas parcels. Mrs. Beckett was the convener of education and temperance. There was Christmas music. Hostesses were Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. Beckett, Mrs. H. Mills and Mrs. Barrett.

The Snowball euchre club will hold their first meeting of the new year at the home of Mrs. John Morning on Friday, Jan. 3.

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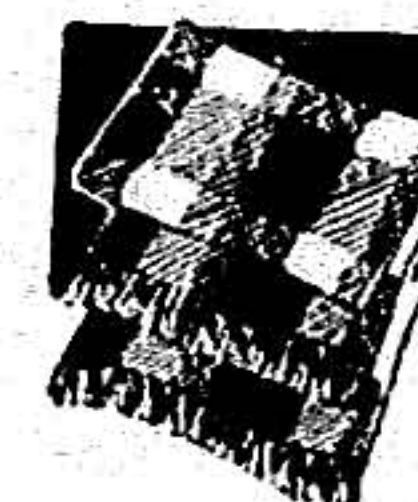
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## A Winter Scene From My Ministry

R. R. McMATH

The one thing, especially,  
every minister wants to do is to  
be counted the friend in the sick  
room. To assure the sick one  
that he cares. To bring the word  
of cheer, the encouraging smile,  
the prayer of commendation to  
a loving heavenly Father.

How modern life has militated  
against this special ministry!  
The doctor has forbidden visitors  
and the family thinks that means  
the minister; when the minister  
calls it is not a convenient  
moment to see the patient; the  
craze for rushing everybody to  
the hospital, where life is so  
public, largely denies such  
friendship (on one occasion as I  
stood by the bedside of a patient  
having prayer the nurse came  
and moved the bed into a more  
uniform position); sudden illness  
and death. The latter forbade  
my ministry to one with whom  
I shared a close friendship.  
Black diphtheria, and in a few  
days he was gone. The doctor,  
of course, had said "No visitors."  
Indeed, before the neighbors  
were quite aware of his illness,  
he was gone. Even after his  
death visitors to the home were  
forbidden.

I remember so well conducting  
the funeral service. Only the  
undertaker was allowed to enter  
the home. The house was about  
500 ft. from the roadway. I went  
to the verandah, where I was  
showered with disinfectant. A  
towel was dipped in disinfectant  
and shaken all over me. On the  
verandah I stood reading, like a  
voice in the wilderness, the  
funeral service, with the hope  
that the friends gathered at the  
road might hear.

In one way it seemed silly,  
and yet as Christians we were  
so used to form that the form  
must be followed. Yet, was it  
not more than form that day?  
True, I could have stood at the  
way with the hope that the  
family might hear through the  
window and gain comfort there-  
from. It was a most trying  
experience. True, I risked my  
life, but why should not the  
church's representative do that  
when the doctor and undertaker  
are willing to do it? That  
winter day it was a solemn pro-  
cession that followed the hearse  
to the vault. Even though the  
body was sealed in a special  
casket, all followed at a distance.  
No experience I have known  
made such a solemn impression  
on folk of that neighborhood.  
Any conversation by the way  
was a deep consideration for the  
widow and children. Sadly we  
deposited the coffin in the vault  
to await the approach of spring  
for burial.

In the beginning of the follow-  
ing week I ventured to visit the  
home and I was a welcome visitor.  
One of the three children  
was ill. The mother was greatly  
distressed. Her heart was break-  
ing for the partner of life who  
had been taken, and her whole  
soul was worried over the sick  
child. We prayed together, seek-  
ing the benediction of being able  
to say "Thy will be done," and  
commended the entire family to  
Him who understands. Two days  
afterwards I returned to find the  
child had passed on too. The  
undertaker had just arrived be-  
fore me and was carrying out the  
doctor's orders to have the body  
removed immediately to the  
vault. I brought what comfort I  
could to the stricken mother and  
leaving her in the hands of "Him  
who cannot err or make mis-  
takes," without ceremony or  
funeral procession followed the  
little remains to the vault.

A notice, from the vault-  
keeper intimated a day in spring  
for the burial of all bodies (this  
cruel experience of two funerals  
caused by Canadian winters is  
being eliminated by modern  
facilities). On that day both  
coffins were carried into the  
beautiful little brick church,  
where I conducted the double  
service. The church was packed.  
Reference was made to my asso-  
ciation with the deceased; of  
having overheard him singing  
"There's not a friend like the  
lowly Jesus" while at his daily  
task; to his sudden and lamented  
passing; to his devotion to the  
church, and appeal was made to  
those present to rise up and fol-  
low in his train.

We walked across the road to  
the little graveyard. As we  
stood around the open grave and  
saw the two coffins lowered,  
and I committed the earth to  
the earth, the ashes to the dust,  
the dust to the dust,

and the souls of both to God,  
tears flowed freely, some sobbed  
loudly, and the emotional strain  
through which the preacher  
passed that day is still shared  
by him as he recalls that winter  
scene, which culminated in a  
glorious spring day scene sug-  
gesting that death is the ante-  
cedent of life.

## HODGE PODGE

I well remember a minister  
saying to me that the man who  
invented the Ladies' Aid did a  
great day's work for the devil.  
I didn't agree with him then,  
nor do I now. It's a great  
organization and it has carried  
the church on its back for many  
years. The Ladies' Aid meeting  
was the great social event of the  
month in my early ministry.  
The meetings were held in the  
homes of the members. The  
minister's job was to gather up  
a load and transport them to the  
meeting. Oh yes, he attended too.  
After the devotions and business  
the hostess always served a  
generous lunch. During the  
luncheon jokes were told, local  
news was passed around and a  
generally fine social time was  
spent.

On one occasion an invitation  
for the next meeting came from  
an old couple in the village.  
Some years previous the old  
man was in an accident in which  
he lost his eyesight. I remember  
how he used to make his way to  
the store by tapping the roadside  
with his cane, and to the barn by  
a long wire on which he hooked  
his cane. The invitation was  
gladly accepted and arrange-  
ments made for a committee to  
provide the cats. Just a little  
event in the life of the old  
couple to bring them friendship  
and good cheer.

I went early to the home that  
day to help the old lady prepare  
for the guests. I suggested hav-  
ing at least the executive sit  
around the table, because usually  
when they sit scattered around  
the room there was too much  
gossip for the proper conduct of  
business. I also suggested sett-  
ling the clock on the centre of the  
table so that they should know to  
stop at four o'clock and the cats  
would all be ready at that hour.  
When the old lady was not look-  
ing I set the alarm on the clock  
for the hour of four. The  
ladies were sitting around the  
table very earnestly engaged in  
business when b-u-r-r, b-u-r-r,  
b-u-r-r, went the alarm. What  
a demonstration of how nervous  
women are! Shrieks, shouts, and  
prayers! One shouted "God  
bless me!" Then bursts of  
laughter followed and a chorus  
of voices cried, "That's the  
preacher did that!"

My predecessor bequeathed to  
me a fine group of Tuxis boys. I  
had come directly from the Old  
Land into college and from  
college to my first charge, with-  
out any connection with Trail  
Ranger or Tuxis boys' work.  
However, I told the boys my  
dilemma and they made allow-  
ance for all my shortcomings.

Talking with one of the  
members one day, he told me that  
he usually was accused of mis-  
behavior in the neighborhood on  
Hallowe'en night and to prevent  
the accusation he intended visit-  
ing his uncle's for a few days. I  
asked him would he remain at  
home if I were to take the  
responsibility of absolving him  
from all blame. He agreed. I  
interviewed the group and they  
agreed to meet me every night  
of the week preceding Hallowe'en  
and practice community singing.

Then on Hallowe'en night we  
went out as an unknown group  
to every home in the village,  
making particularly sure to call  
at the home of the man who had  
the grudge against this particular  
boy. We were made most  
welcome. The old man sat by  
the side of the stove and his  
wife occupied the opposite  
corner. We all sat in a semi-  
circle. I led the group in the  
community singing and in jokes.  
While slapping my knee to give  
emphasis to my leadership, I  
failed to see the daughter of the  
home passing a plate of candy.  
I struck the plate and knocked  
it into many places on the floor.  
Maybe that is where Providence  
comes into the picture?

Next day I went to the store,  
bought a plate and took it to the  
home. It was hard to convince  
the lady that her minister was  
the culprit. However, she said  
they had all enjoyed our visit

and the accident. Then I made  
sure she had the names of all the  
boys that were under my care  
and that had been in her home.  
Thus the previously bad boy on  
Hallowe'en night was her  
Hallowe'en guest.

I was one of the first in the  
community to own a radio.  
Indeed, I was a listener to the  
first Toronto broadcast. Was it  
Christmas, 1920? Anyhow, I  
first purchased a little crystal  
set. You remember them? I'd  
just strike the sensitive spot and  
get lovely music and then the cat  
would jump off the chair to  
the floor and away went the  
music. "Now you have it, now  
you haven't it." Then I got a  
one peanut-tube set. It was a  
gem! One day I tuned in on two  
ladies talking on the telephone.  
I dropped the earphones and took  
down the phone receiver to  
listen and right enough, there  
were the two sisters carrying on  
their daily long conversation.  
Of course, I never told them I  
"listened in."

Where the aerial joined the  
house I had what we called in  
those days a lightning switch.  
When not using the radio this  
switch joined the aerial to a  
ground wire. One Sunday even-  
ing I had been using the radio  
before I went to church. That  
same evening during the church  
service—indeed it was during

the sermon—I saw the lightning  
flashing and I suddenly remem-  
bered I had not thrown the  
switch. I stopped preaching and  
announced that we would sing  
one verse of the closing hymn.  
Having sung the verse I pro-  
nounced the benediction and ran  
for home to break the connec-  
tion. Yes, ran as if the hounds  
were after me. I left a worried  
wife and an amazed congregation,  
but for once I was the preacher  
"whose terminals were in good  
order."

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